TRIPP LAKE ACTION PLAN

HE FUTURE OF TRIPP LAKE depends upon the actions that are taken today to protect it. The Tripp Lake Action Plan was created to provide guidance for those working at the local level to protect this irreplaceable resource. Public involvement in the development of the Plan has been strenuously encouraged throughout the process. The input received has been thoughtful and constructive and has been incorporated throughout the Plan. The primary objectives of the Tripp Lake Action Plan are as follows:

Objective 1: Foster stewardship of Tripp Lake and its watershed through education, outreach and collaboration.

Objective 2: Protect the water quality of Tripp Lake for future generations by eliminating, reducing and preventing non-point source pollution in the Tripp Lake watershed.

Objective 3: Protect and preserve the traditional uses of Tripp Lake, and ensure that these uses continue to exist in a balanced and sustainable manner.

Objective 4: Maintain and build upon Tripp Lake's existing water quality monitoring program to ensure continued awareness and understanding of the lake's health, and to be able to analyze water quality changes over time.

Objective 5: Protect and conserve natural biodiversity in the Tripp Lake and its watershed, and prevent the establishment and spread of non-native invasive species.

Key to Cost Estimates Used in the Action Plan		
Low = 0 - \$1000	Moderate = \$1000 to \$5000	High = Greater than \$5000

Definitions for Acronyms Used in the Action Plan

AVSWCD - Androscoggin Valley Soil & Water Conservation District NMP - Nutrient Management Plan

CEO – Code Enforcement Officer

HETL – (Maine) Health and Environmental Testing Laboratory

IAP - Invasive Aquatic Plants

LEA – Lakes Environmental Association

LPI – Licensed Plumbing Inspector

LWRMA - Lakes and Watershed Resource Management Associates

MCIAP - Maine Center for Invasive Aquatic Plants

MDEP (DEP) – Maine Department of Environmental Protection

MDIFW - Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

MDA – Maine Department of Agriculture

MDHS – Maine Department of Health Human Services

MDOT – Maine Department of Transportation

MLTN - Maine Land Trust Network

MNAP – Maine Natural Areas Program (Dept. of Conservation)

NPS - Non-Point Source Pollution

NRCS - Natural Resources Conservation Service

NRPA - Natural Resource Protection Act

PHS - Poland High School

PWD – Public Works Department

SWOAM - Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine

SZ – Shoreland Zoning

TLIA – Tripp Lake Improvement Association

UMCE – University of Maine Cooperative Extension

VLMP – (Maine) Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program

YCC – Youth Conservation Corps

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PLEASE NOTE: The "Concerns and Issues" addressed in the Action Plan are arranged in alphabetical order. The order is not intended to imply priority.

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